

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 285

By Floyd

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Ann Ball on being named a 2013 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Ann Ball will be recognized as a 2013 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association at the organization's 28th Annual Women of Distinction Awards Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious event honors a number of women who have distinguished themselves in their professional, civic, and volunteer service; the event also benefits the important work of the American Lung Association in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ball is the Operations Manager of Chattanooga Presents and is the former Project Manager of Chattanooga Downtown Partnerships, in which positions she earned the respect of her colleagues and community alike due to the exemplary quality of her work and her extraordinary leadership style. She is also the owner of Marketing Matters, a business which provides creative marketing and special events for businesses and non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Chattanooga native has also designed, managed, and produced a number of events and award-winning programs in and around Chattanooga, including RiverRocks, the Volkswagen Training Facility grand opening, the Nightfall Concert Series, **spark**, Pops on the River, the Three Sisters Bluegrass Festival, the TaleSpin Festival, Swingfest, Christmas on the River, the Grand Illumination, the Downtown Gallery Hop, the Holiday Starlight Parade, and the Rhythm and Noon Series. Ms. Ball also rendered sterling

service as a production assistant for Winter Days and Lights and produced the McKamey Animal Center's First Look grand opening and the 21st Century Waterfront grand opening; and

WHEREAS, a firm believer in the importance of community service, Ann Ball has served on the board of directors for Chattanooga Endeavors, as a member of the Siskin Possibilities Luncheon Steering Committee, as the treasurer of the Brainerd Council of the Chattanooga Area Chamber of Commerce, as a member of the Executive Committee of Executive Women International, and as the chair of the McKamey Animal Center Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, epitomizing the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, Ann Ball takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Ms. Ball, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Ann Ball on being named a 2013 Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association, thank her for all she has done to make Chattanooga and this State a better place to live and work, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.